

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for redirecting a browser, comprising the steps of:
receiving redirection initiation to redirect the browser;
5 getting a direct or indirect reference to a destination; and
causing the browser to browse to that destination.
2. The method as defined in claim 1, wherein said reference is an
opaque reference.
3. The method as defined in claim 1, further comprising the step of
setting the destination reference.
4. The method as defined in claim 1, wherein the step of getting a
15 reference comprises accessing a user profile to obtain the destination
reference.
5. The method as defined in claim 4, wherein the step of accessing a
user profile comprises the step of accessing a user profile store and
20 invoking a method in the user profile store to access the user profile.
6. The method as defined in claim 1, wherein the reference is a URL.
7. The method as defined in claim 1, further comprising the step of
25 displaying a plurality of selectable destination redirection indicators to the
user in order to select a redirection destination.

8. The method as defined in claim 7, further comprising a method for displaying at least one of the selectable designators based on whether the user is inside or outside of a firewall.

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9. A program product including machine readable code to provide an API for a browser extension for use in an imaging client that has a browser, comprising:

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destination method that may be called by web content to get a direct or indirect reference to a destination and cause a browser to browse to that destination.

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10. The program product as defined in claim 9, wherein the called destination method comprises at least two methods, including a first method for providing a reference for the destination to the web content and a second method to cause the browser to browse to the destination.

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11. The program product as defined in claim 10, wherein said reference is an opaque reference.

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12. The program product as defined in claim 9, further comprising a method that may be called to set the destination reference in the destination method.

13. The program product as defined in claim 9, wherein the destination method accesses a user profile to obtain the destination reference.

14. The program product as defined in claim 13, wherein the destination method calls a user profile store and accesses the user profile using a method in a user profile store.

5 15. The program product as defined in claim 14, wherein the called destination method comprises at least two methods, including a first method for providing an opaque reference for the destination to the web content and a second method to cause the browser to browse to the destination.

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16. The program product as defined in claim 9, wherein the reference is a URL.

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17. The program product as defined in claim 9, wherein the web content calls the destination method when a print designator from web content displayed at the browser in the imaging client is indicated.

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18. The program product as defined in claim 17, wherein a selectable designator is displayed at the browser for each of a plurality of different destination methods.

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19. The program product as defined in claim 18, further comprising a method for displaying at least one of the selectable designators based on whether the imaging client is inside or outside of a firewall.

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20. A method for redirecting a browser, comprising the steps of:
receiving redirection initiation to redirect the browser to a printer list;
getting a direct or indirect reference to a printer list destination; and

causing the browser to browse to the printer list destination.

21. The method as defined in claim 20, wherein said reference is an opaque reference.

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22. The method as defined in claim 20, wherein the step of getting a reference comprises accessing a user profile to obtain the printer list destination reference.

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23. The method as defined in claim 22, wherein the step of accessing a user profile comprises the step of accessing a user profile store and invoking a method in the user profile store to access the user profile.

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24. The method as defined in claim 20, further comprising the step of displaying a plurality of selectable printer and printer list destination redirection indicators to the user in order to select a redirection destination.

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25. The method as defined in claim 24, further comprising a method for displaying at least one of the selectable designators based on whether the user is inside or outside of a firewall.

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26. A program product including machine readable code to provide an API for a browser extension for use in an imaging client that has a browser, comprising:

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a printer list destination method that may be called to get a direct or indirect reference to a printer list destination and cause a browser to browse to that reference destination.

27. The program product as defined in claim 26, wherein the called
printer list destination method comprises at least two methods, including
a first method for providing a reference for the printer list destination to
5 the web content and a second method to cause the browser to browse to
the destination.

28. The program product as defined in claim 27, wherein said reference
is an opaque reference.

29. The program product as defined in claim 26, further comprising a
method that may be called to set the printer list destination reference in
the printer list destination method.

30. The program product as defined in claim 26, wherein the printer list
destination method accesses a user profile to obtain the printer list
destination reference.

31. The program product as defined in claim 30, wherein the called
20 printer list destination method comprises at least two methods, including
a first method for providing an opaque reference for the printer list
destination to the web content and a second method to cause the
browser to browse to the printer list destination.

32. The program product as defined in claim 26, wherein the web
25 content calls the printer list destination method when a print designator
from web content displayed at the browser in the imaging client is
indicated.

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33. The program product and data structure as defined in claim 26, wherein the reference for the printer list destination is a URL.

5 34. A method for redirecting a browser, comprising the steps of:
receiving redirection initiation to redirect the browser to a printer;
getting a direct or indirect reference to a printer destination; and
causing the browser to browse to the printer destination.

10 35. The method as defined in claim 34, wherein said reference is an opaque reference.

36. The method as defined in claim 34, further comprising the step of setting the printer destination reference.

15 37. The method as defined in claim 34, wherein the step of getting a reference comprises accessing a user profile to obtain the printer destination reference.

20 38. The method as defined in claim 37, wherein the step of accessing a user profile comprises the step of accessing a user profile store and invoking a method in the user profile store to access the user profile.

25 39. The method as defined in claim 34, further comprising the step of displaying a plurality of selectable printer destination redirection indicators to the user in order to select a redirection destination.

30 40. The method as defined in claim 34, further comprising a method for displaying at least one of the selectable designators based on whether the user is inside or outside of a firewall.

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41. A program product including machine readable code to provide an
5 API for a browser extension for use in an imaging client that has a
browser, comprising:

10 a printer destination method that may be called to get a direct or
indirect reference to a printer destination and cause a browser to browse
to that URL destination.

42. The program product as defined in claim 41, wherein the called
printer destination method comprises at least two methods, including a
15 first method for providing a reference for the printer destination to the
web content and a second method to cause the browser to browse to the
printer destination.

43. The program product as defined in claim 41, wherein said reference
is an opaque reference.

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44. The program product as defined in claim 41, wherein the printer
destination method accesses a user profile to obtain the printer
destination reference.

25 45. The program product as defined in claim 44, wherein the printer
destination method calls a user profile store and accesses the user profile
using a method in the user profile store.

30 46. The program product as defined in claim 45, wherein the called
printer destination method comprises at least two methods, including a

first method for providing an opaque reference for the printer destination to the web content and a second method to cause the browser to browse to the printer destination.

5 47. The program product as defined in claim 41, wherein the web content calls the destination method when a printer designator from web content displayed at the browser in the imaging client is indicated.

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10 48. The program product and data structure as defined in claim 47, further comprising a plurality of printer destination methods, each having a selectable printer designator displayed at the browser.

15 49. The program product and data structure as defined in claim 48, further comprising a method for displaying at least one of the selectable designators based on whether the imaging client is inside or outside of a firewall.

20 50. A method for redirecting a browser, comprising the steps of:
receiving redirection initiation to redirect the browser to a printnow destination for printing without further user interaction;
getting a direct or indirect reference to a printnow destination; and
causing the browser to browse to the printnow destination.

25 51. The method as defined in claim 50, wherein said reference is an opaque reference.

30 52. The method as defined in claim 50, wherein the step of getting a reference comprises accessing a user profile to obtain the printnow destination reference.

53. The method as defined in claim 52, wherein the step of accessing a user profile comprises the step of accessing a user profile store and invoking a method in the user profile store to access the user profile.

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54. The method as defined in claim 50, further comprising the step of displaying a plurality of selectable printnow destination redirection indicators to the user in order to select a redirection destination.

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55. The method as defined in claim 50, further comprising a method for displaying at least one of the selectable designators based on whether the user is inside or outside of a firewall.

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56. A program product including machine readable code to provide an API for a browser extension for use in an imaging client that has a browser, comprising:

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a print now destination method that may be called to get a direct or indirect reference to a PRINTNOW destination that will print using preset printer settings, and cause a browser to browse to that URL destination.

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57. A program product as defined in claim 56, wherein the preset printer settings at the PRINTNOW destination are associated with identification information from a user profile.

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58. A program product as defined in claim 56, further comprising a selection method for always providing the reference to the PRINTNOW destination if predetermined criteria have been met.